

## Gift Aid

### Individual Members

AIM is a registered charity. We can claim back the income tax that you have already paid on your membership subscription. All we need is for you to agree the following declaration.

I want the Association of Independent Museums to treat my subscription as a Gift Aid donation. I know that I must pay an amount of income/capital gains tax at least equivalent to the tax the Association of Independent Museums reclaims on my subscriptions in the tax year.

Tick to confirm

### How would you like to pay?

#### 1. Cheque

Please find a cheque enclosed for £ ..... payable to the Association of Independent Museums.

Name .....

Date .....

#### 2. Invoice

Please send an invoice  
Purchase Order No. ....

Membership renewals can be made through internet transfer or BACS. Details will be sent with future renewal notices.

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## Did you know...?

Over half the museums in the UK are independent of government and local authorities and run as a charitable trust or company.

Independent museums owe their origins to individual and community endeavour. They are consumer and audience focussed rather than driven by external agendas.

Independent museums are guardians of some of the UK's most important heritage assets.

37 independent museums hold Nationally Designated Collections. In Scotland independent museums hold 13 Recognised Collections of National Significance.

Over 100,000 volunteers work in independent museums, equivalent to 82% of the total workforce.

Independent museums contribute up to £930m to the UK economy.

Independent museums have significantly influenced museum practice in the UK through promoting creative approaches and commercial entrepreneurship.

Independent museums are regular award winners, including the Art Fund Prize and the Museum and Heritage Awards for Excellence.

## Join now to be part of this thriving network!

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## Who we are

AIM is a national charitable organisation which connects, supports and represents independent museums, galleries and other organisations.

We provide a thriving network for the independent sector, based on mutuality and sharing of expertise. Our membership ranges from voluntarily run community organisations to some of the largest museums in the country and includes historic houses, heritage organisations, including ships, historic railways, etc, as well as museum consultants and commercial suppliers. We are at the forefront of the best of British Heritage.

We regularly publish national research reports into the independent museums sector and actively lobby central government on issues such as Gift Aid and VAT.

AIM speaks on behalf of a substantial and growing sector of the museums and heritage community. We provide an independent viewpoint based on operational and business experience of running successful enterprises.



## Why join?

As a member of AIM you can:

- **Apply for support from the AIM Sustainability Grant Scheme and Conservation Grant Scheme.**
- Be part of a **thriving network of museums**, historic houses and interpretation centres across the UK.
- Learn about new developments and network with colleagues at our **popular national conference and trade show.**
- Access our **training grants scheme** which provides bursaries for attending seminars, workshops and conferences.
- Keep up to date with museum and heritage news through the **bi-monthly AIM Bulletin and e-news mailings.**
- Access **practical information** on museum operation from our **FOCUS papers.**

## How to join

AIM welcomes new members who support its aims. If you would like to join us please complete this application form, detach the panel and send it to:

**AIM Membership, 30 Gledhow Drive, Oxenhope, Keighley, West Yorkshire BD22 9SA**

For membership queries ring Michael Cope on 01535 646472 or email [membership@aim-museums.co.uk](mailto:membership@aim-museums.co.uk)

## Membership form

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Organisation Name\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Address\* \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Postcode\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Website \_\_\_\_\_  
Is your museum Accredited? Yes   
No   
Charity Number \_\_\_\_\_

### I would like to join as:

Small Museum (up to 20,000 visitors p.a.) and NT properties £35   
Medium Museum (20,000 to 50,000 visitors p.a.) £55   
Large Museum (over 50,000 visitors p.a.) £90   
Suppliers and Company Consultants £90   
Supporting national and regional organisations, libraries and archives £80   
Individual £40

Please note that Individual Membership is only open to persons not representing a museum or other organisation. Individual consultants are also eligible for Individual Membership.

\*Required field